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DUNAPENTELE AND STEEL PLANT RENAMED TO HONOR STALIN

[Numbers in parentheses refer to appended sources.]

An enormous petition was recently submitted to Matyas Rakosi, signed by 14,800 workers (1) of the Danube Steelworks and the city of Dunapentele, both of which are still under construction, to rename both the factory and the city in honor of Stalin, on 7 November. The change was ratified by the Ministerial Council. Many signatures were accompanied by pledges of increased production, including completion of Hungary's first building built entirely by women (2), and such slogans as "long live the city which bears Stalin's name!" and "Stalin's name is peace! I ask that our great peace plant bear Stalin's name!"

The construction at Dunapentele was made possible by Soviet engineering experience and machinery, and Stakhanovite instruction in bricklaying methods, which are now used throughout the country. Five million cubic meters of earth are being removed. When completed, the steel plant will be one of the most modern in Europe, and will produce more iron and steel than the former total of all metallurgical plants of Hungary. Equipment of the steel plant will include eight Martin steel furnaces and an electric power plant of greater capacity than the large plant in the Matra Mountains.(1)

The city, which is to be renamed Stalinvaros, will be one of the most beautiful in Europe, and will be Hungary's first city with central heating. All buildings will be heated by waste hot water from the steelworks. The most recent Soviet pipe-fitting methods are being used in constructing the pipe network.(3)

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1. Budapest, Szabad Nep, 3 Nov 51
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